

IMPORTANT LEGISLATIVE DATES

2009		
84th House, 112th Regular Session Since Statehood in 1845		
October 5-9	Interim Council or Committee Meeting Notice Deadline – September 28 - October 2	<i>[Rule 7.12(d)] No later than 4:30 p.m. of the 7th day before the meeting</i>
November 2-6	Interim Council or Committee Meeting Notice Deadline – October 26 - October 30	<i>[Rule 7.12(d)] No later than 4:30 p.m. of the 7th day before the meeting</i>
December 7-11	Interim Council or Committee Meeting Notice Deadline – November 30 - December 4	<i>[Rule 7.12(d)] No later than 4:30 p.m. of the 7th day before the meeting</i>
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January 5	Early Member Bill Request Submission Deadline: By 5 p.m., a member must request submission for the first two of the six bills subject to the member-bill filing limit.	<i>Bill Drafting Policy</i>
January 11-15	Interim Council or Committee Meeting Notice Deadline – January 4 - January 8	<i>[Rule 7.12(d)] No later than 4:30 p.m. of the 7th day before the meeting</i>
January 19-22	Interim Council or Committee Meeting Notice Deadline – January 12 - January 15	<i>[Rule 7.12(d)] No later than 4:30 p.m. of the 7th day before the meeting</i>
January 19	Early Member Bill Filing Deadline: A member may not file more than six bills for a regular session. Of the six bills, at least two must be approved for filing with the Clerk no later than noon of the 6 th Tuesday prior to the first day of the regular session. NOTE: To meet a filing deadline, the bill must be APPROVED FOR FILING in Leagis by the applicable deadline.	<i>[Rule 5.3(a)]</i>
January 22	Final Member Bill Request Submission Deadline: By 5 p.m., a member must request submission for all other bills subject to the opening day deadline (including requests for companion bills).	<i>Bill Drafting Policy</i>
January 31	Notice Deadline for Local Bills for opening-day introduction that require proof of publication 30 days prior to being introduced.	<i>[Art. III, s. 10, FL Const.; s. 11.02, F.S.; Rule 5.5(c)]</i>
February 1-5	Interim Council or Committee Meeting Notice Deadline – January 25 - January 29	<i>[Rule 7.12(d)] No later than 4:30 p.m. of the 7th day before the meeting</i>
February 8-12	Interim Council or Committee Meeting Notice Deadline – February 1 – February 5	<i>[Rule 7.12(d)] No later than 4:30 p.m. of the 7th day before the meeting</i>
February 15-19	Interim Council or Committee Meeting Notice Deadline – February 8 – February 12	<i>[Rule 7.12(d)] No later than 4:30 p.m. of the 7th day before the meeting</i>
February 26	Member Bill Requests Deadline: By 5 p.m., bill requests to be in final draft form (including companion bills).	<i>Bill Drafting Policy</i>
March 2	First Day of Session [84 th House since Statehood: 112 th Regular Session since Statehood; 21 st House since 1968 Constitutional Revision]	<i>[Art. III, s. 3(b), FL Const.]</i>
March 2	Final Member Bill Filing Deadline: No general bill, local bill, joint resolution, concurrent resolution (except one relating to extension of a session or legislative organization or procedures), substantive House resolution, or memorial shall be given first reading unless approved for filing with the Clerk no later than noon of the first day of the regular session. NOTE: To meet a filing deadline, the bill must be APPROVED FOR FILING in Leagis by the applicable deadline.	<i>Day 1 [Rule 5.2(a)]</i>
March 2	First day for councils or committees to meet after giving notice no later than 4:30 p.m. of the 2 nd day (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and official state holidays) before the council or committee meeting for the purpose of considering legislation.	<i>Day 1-45 [Rule 7.12(e)]</i>
April 1	Ceremonial Resolution Request Submission Deadline: By 5 p.m., ceremonial resolutions to be submitted to Rules & Calendar Council.	<i>Rules & Calendar Council Policy</i>
April 11	After the 40 th day (April 10), no bill may be retained for the purpose of reconsideration in council or committee.	<i>Day 41 [Rule 7.17(b)]</i>

April 15	Last day for councils or committees to meet after giving notice no later than 4:30 p.m. of the 2 nd day (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and official state holidays) before the council or committee meeting for the purpose of considering legislation. After the 45 th day, the notice must be provided no later than 4:30 p.m. on the day (including Saturdays, Sundays, and official state holidays) before the council or committee meeting.	Day 45 [Rule 7.12(e)]
April 15	Ceremonial Resolution Filing Deadline: No ceremonial resolution shall be given first reading unless approved for filing with the Clerk prior to the 46 th day of regular session.	[Rule 5.2(b)]
April 16	After the 45 th day (April 15) of a regular session, by a majority vote, the House may, on motion of the Chair or Vice Chair of the Rules & Calendar Council, move to Communications, Messages from the Senate, Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading, or Special Orders.	Day 46 [Rule 10.2(d)]
April 17	All measures transmitted to the Senate without delay.	Last 14 Days [Rule 11.7(j)]
April 20	Last day the Chair of any conference committee shall give notice not less than 2 hours prior to the time scheduled for the meeting; after the 50 th day (April 21), the notice shall be 1 hour prior to the time scheduled for the meeting.	Day 50 [Rule 7.23]
April 25	Last day of the regular session for the Special Order Calendar to be published in two Calendars of the House, and it may be taken up on the day of the second published Calendar. After the 55 th day (April 25) of the regular session, the Special Order Calendar shall be published in one Calendar of the House and may be taken up on the day the Calendar is published.	Day 55 [Rule 10.11(a)(3)]
April 25	Last day that main floor amendments must be approved for filing with the Clerk by 2 p.m. of the first day a bill appears on the Special Order Calendar in the Calendar of the House; and amendments to main floor amendments and substitute amendments for main floor amendments must be approved for filing by 5 p.m. of the same day.	Day 55 [Rule 12.2(a)(1&2)]
April 26	After the 55 th (April 25) day of regular session, main floor amendments must be approved for filing with the Clerk not later than 2 hours before session is scheduled to convene on the day a bill appears on the Special Order Calendar in the Calendar of the House; and amendments to main floor amendments and substitute amendments for main floor amendments must be approved for filing not later than 1 hour after the main floor amendment deadline.	Day 56 [Rule 12.2(b)(1&2)]
April 26	After the 55 th day (April 25) of regular session, no House bills on second reading may be taken up and considered by the House.	Day 56 [Rule 10.17]
April 29	After the 58 th day (April 28) of regular session, the House may consider only: Senate Messages, Conference Reports, and Concurrent Resolutions.	Day 59 [Rule 10.18]
April 30	Last day of Regular Session, if Legislature completes work in 60 days	